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Through the guide's 39 chapters, a person can learn how to write his or her life, and how to prepare, submit, and sell the story. The guide offers advice on: ideas--how to spot them, enjoy them, and jot them down; first drafts and the value in simply telling the story and revising later; establishing a writing routine and keeping it; the hows and whys of keeping a journal; using humor to share personal stories; preparing manuscripts; networking--when it helps, when it does not help; and handling rejection and acceptance. The appendixes include a cover letter, a case study showing how the author published a personal experience piece titled "Waiting for Daddy," and an editor's analysis. (NKA)

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